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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR COLUMNIST
ENZO BETTIZA

1. ENZO BETTIZA, VICE DIRECTOR OF PRESTIGIOUS DAILY NEWSPAPER IL GIORNALE NUOVO (CIRC. 260,000), AND ONE OF ITALY'S MOST ACUTE WRITERS ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PLANS TEN DAY TO TWO WEEK PRIVATE VISIT TO U.S. DURING LAST DAYS OF SEPTEMBER. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO MAKE CONTACT WITH FULL RANGE OF ARTICULATE AND INFLUENTIAL FOREIGN POLICY MAKERS AND THINKERS IN EXECUTIVE, CONGRESS, ACADEMIC WORLD AND WITH FELLOW NEWSMEN. IN ITS ONE YEAR OF EXISTENCE, IL GIORNALE HAS BECOME ONE OF ITALY'S THREE MOST INFLUENTIAL NEWSPAPERS, AND THE MOST RESPECTED EXPONENT OF CENTER-POINT OF VIEW.

2. MAIN THEMES FOR DISCUSSION INCLUDE US-EUROPEAN RELATIONS, NATO, U.S. DETENTE POLICY, AND IMPLICATIONS OF DETENTE ON US-WESTERN EUROPEAN RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO PORTUGAL AND ITALY.

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY SUPPORT IN MAKING FULL SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS, NEW YORK, WASHINGTON, BOSTON AND VICINITY.

4. BETTIZA'S TENTATIVE ETA NEW YORK ETA SEPTEMBER 17 (POST
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CAN CONFIRM ONLY AFTER SEPTEMBER 10). PLANS SPEND FIRST DAYS

AND WEEKEND WITH COLLEAGUES IN NEW YORK AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAMMING FROM SEPTEMBER 22. TENTATIVELY PROPOSE SEPTEMBER 22-24 NEW YORK, SEPT 25-29 WASHINGTON, AND SEPT 30-OCT 1 BOSTON.

5. IN NEW YORK, BETTIZA WOULD LIKE CONVERSATION WITH USUN AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN, AND HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED MEETING WITH JAMES CHACE, AND ZYGMUNT NAGORSKI, COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS; NEW YORK TIMES EDITOR HARRISON SALISBURY; ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, HANS MORGANTHAU OF NEW SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH; AND HERMAN KAHN OF HUDSON INSTITUTE. (BETTIZA HAS MET SALISBURY AND BRZEZINSKI.) AS NEWSMAN ESPECIALLY ONE ON RECORD AS OPPOSED TO ACCOMODATION WITH COMMUNISTS, BETTIZA FEELS EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS IMPORTANT.

6. IN WASHINGTON, REQUEST HIGHEST POSSIBLY POLICY LEVEL APPOINTMENTS WITH WINSTON LORD, HELMUT SONNENFELDT, ARTHUR HARTMAN AND/OR LAWRENCE EAGLEBURGER. ALSO AT DEPARTMENT HOPE HE MIGHT MEET WITH GEORGE VEST AND JAMES GOODBY OF POLITICAL-MILITARY BUREAU.

7. ON CAPITAL HILL, SUGGEST APPOINTMENTS WITH ONE SENATOR, POSSIBLY SEN. JOHN CULVER OR LEADING MEMBER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND ONE CONGRESSMAN FROM AMONG FOLLOWING: BARBER CONABLE, BENJAMIN ROSENTHAL, DONALD FRASER AND LEE HAMILTON.

8. ALSO IN WASHINGTON, SUGGEST CONTACTS AT BROOKINGS INSTITUTION PREFERABLE WITH KERMET GORDON, AND POSSIBLY ALSO WITH HENRY OWENS OR ERNEST LEFEVRE; AT FOREIGN POLICY MAGAZINE WITH EDITOR, POSSIBLY SAMUEL HUNTINGTON; AT JOHNS HOPKINS WITH EDWARD N. LUTTWAK AND ROBERT TUCKER.

9. IN BOSTON AREA, BETTIZA WOULD LIKE TO MEET FOLLOWING: AT HARVARD: STANLEY HOFFMAN, MERLE FAIRNSOD, EDIWN REISCHAUER AND JOHN KENNETH GALBRAITH; AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY: PROF. OHJIA.

10. FYI: BETTIZA FIRST SUBSTANTIVE VISIT TO U.S. WAS IN APRIL 1973 ON OCAASION OF IVP GRANT, WHICH INSPIRED HIS RETURN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LAST SUMMER AND HIS PLANNED SEPTEMBER TRIP. SINCE HIS IVP VISIT BETTIZA HAS BEEN AMONG LEADERS OF BREAK FROM CORRIERE DELLA SERA ON PART OF MODERATE-CONSERVATIVE EDITORS WHO HAVE FOUNDED NEW NEWSPAPER IL GIORNALE OF WHICH HE IS VICE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF FOREIGN AFFAIRS EDITOR.

11. VISIT SHOULD SERVE TO INFORM AND PROVIDE BACKGROUND NECESSARY TO ALLOW INFLUENTIAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS EDITOR AND WRITER

WHO HAS CONSISTENTLY ARGUED ELOQUENTLY ON BEHALF OF NATO,
BACKED EUROPEAN UNITY AND ARTICULATEDLY URGED CLOSEST POSSIBLE
US-ITALIAN LINKS.

12. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ADVISE WHETHER VISIT MIGHT BE ARRANGED
THROUGH PROGRAM AGENCY OR IF NOT WHICH CHANNEL FEASIBLE AND
TO PROVIDE NAMES OF POINT OF NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON CONTACTS.
FYI: AMBASSADOR VOLPE REQUESTING SECRETARY KISSINGER GRANT
SPECIAL INTERVIEW TO BETTIZA THROUGH SEPARATE CHANNEL. BURNETT

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